GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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ACCEPTABLE DAILY INTAKE IN DIET
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Acceptable Daily Intake (ADI) in the diet of every Indian has been taken care of under the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the regulatory authority which is taking care of ADI?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) to (c) The Acceptable Daily Intake (ADI) is not prescribed under the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954. The concept of ADI is used along with residue data generated under supervised trials, average food consumption and average body weight for prescribing the Maximum Tolerance Limits of a pesticide. The PFA Act, and Rules, 1955 are mainly concerned with food safety and protecting the consumer against unsafe, Impure and misbranded food. The Registration Committee under the Insecticide Act, 1968, administered by the Ministry of Agriculture, considers ADI at the time of registration of pesticides